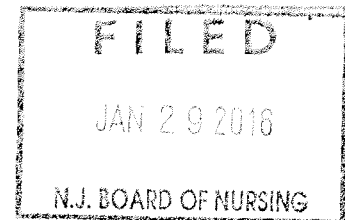


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<u>IN THE MATTER OF THE</u>	:	Administrative Action
<u>LICENSE OF</u>	:	
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<u>MELISSA ANN STANTON, LPN</u>	:	CONSENT ORDER OF VOLUNTARY
<u>License #26NP05569600</u>	:	SURRENDER OF LICENSE
	:	
<u>TO PRACTICE NURSING IN</u>	:	
<u>THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY</u>	:	

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information indicating that the ability of Melissa Ann Stanton ("Respondent") to practice nursing with reasonable skill and safety may be impaired. The information received by the Board raises the issue of whether Respondent is capable of discharging the functions of a nurse in a manner consistent with public health, safety, welfare, and warrants a comprehensive mental health and substance abuse evaluation. Respondent indicated a willingness

to voluntarily surrender her license to practice nursing. She indicated that she is moving to another state and has no intent to continue to practice in New Jersey.

The Board finds that testing, monitoring, evaluation, and treatment are warranted as a condition for continued or reinstated licensure to evaluate whether Respondent's continued practice may jeopardize the safety and welfare of the public pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22(f) and to ensure that Respondent can properly discharge nursing functions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22(e).

The Board having reviewed this matter, the parties desiring to resolve this matter without further proceedings, Respondent having waived any right to a hearing, the Board having determined that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public, and for good cause shown;

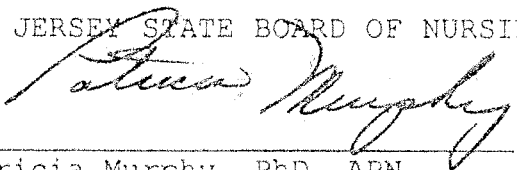
IT IS on this 29th day of January, 2015
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HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

Respondent hereby voluntarily surrenders her license to practice nursing in the State of New Jersey with prejudice. Respondent shall not hereafter apply for reinstatement of license unless and until Respondent can demonstrate fitness and competency to practice nursing, has undergone a comprehensive mental health and substance abuse evaluation under the auspices

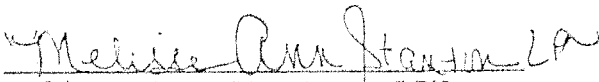
of RAMP, followed the recommendations of the evaluator and RAMP, gained RAMP's support for reinstatement, and has met all other requirements for reinstatement.

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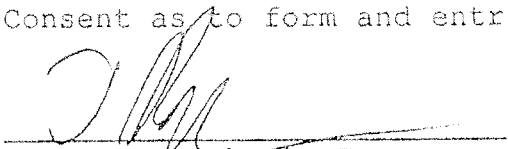
By:


Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN
Board President

I have read and understand
the within Order and consent
to the entry of the Order as
a matter of public record.


Melissa Ann Stanton, LPN
License # 26NP05569600

Consent as to form and entry.


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